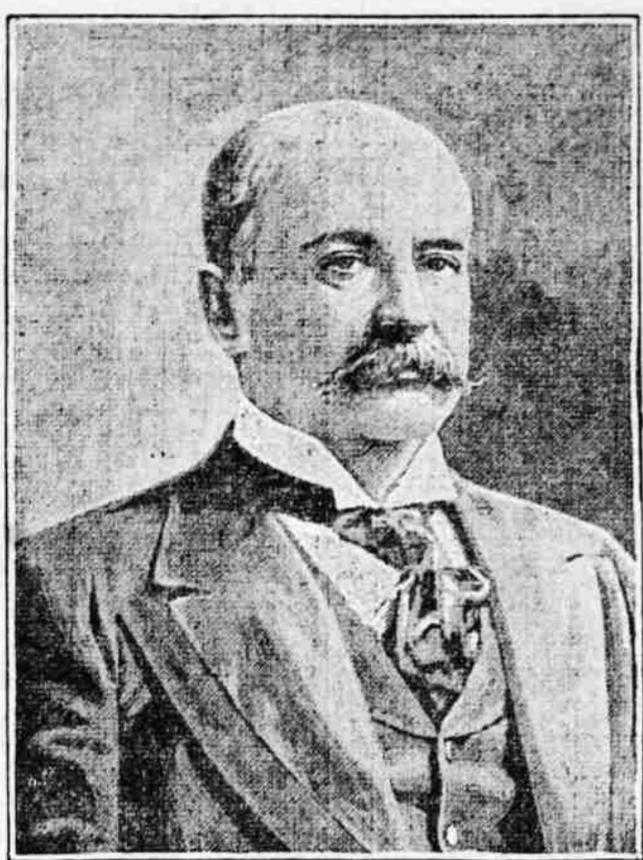


P. A. B. WIDENER, director of White Star line, who lost a son in Titanic disaster, and who will participate in Senate inquiry as questioner of Ismay



MEN AND WOMEN ARE BEATEN WITH CLUBS

Workingmen at Zion City, Ill., Resent Prayers Put Up by the Dowrites.

ZION CITY, Ill., April 29.—Rioting started here late this afternoon when employees of independent manufacturing concerns attacked a group of 200 Zion men and women at a prayer meeting. Both men and women were beaten with clubs and blackjacks and a number were seriously injured.

The fight came as a climax of a week of trouble between employees of the independent concerns, which recently have begun operations here, and the church people, formerly followers of John Alexander Smith.

As a protest against the use of tobacco by employees of the manufacturing company, the Voliva people have been having prayer meetings in the plants twice a day. Elder Royal had just called the second meeting when a score of men ran out of the plant, tore down or leaped over the bars which had been erected around the prayer meeting and drove the Zionites from that part of town.

Immediately after the fight at the prayer meeting, Wilbur Glen Voliva ordered the large alarm bell rung and more than 1000 men gathered at the auditorium to discuss plans for resisting further attacks by employees of independent companies, who filled the streets tonight and threatened to "clean out the town." A second clash between the church people and the independent was predicted. Voliva urged his followers to protect their women and children from the "tobacco-smoking curse."

Elder F. M. Royal and Joseph Bishop were the most seriously injured at the prayer meeting fight. Both were beaten until they were nearly unconscious and it is thought Bishop's skull was fractured.

More than a third of the 150 Zion women in attendance at the meeting were beaten, bruised or trampled during the rush by the employees of the independent. Although Elder Royal and a number of his men resisted, they were outnumbered and finally swept from the platform.

At the close of the meeting tonight, Overseer Voliva ordered his followers to assemble at 6:30 o'clock in the morning to resume services in the front yard of a factory, whose employees offend by using tobacco.

"I would rather lose a hundred men than be defeated in this fight," said Voliva. "It is a battle to the finish and I am determined to win."

Two Zionites, Isaac Mill and John Thorpe, were arrested after tonight's rioting and later were released on bond.

The declaration of Voliva that he would resume his meeting caused a new body of special deputies to be sworn in.

WATER NEAR DANGER MARK AT ST. LOUIS

ST. LOUIS, April 29.—Flood conditions at this point became alarming again tonight when the gauge registered 29.5 feet, a rise of 1.4 feet since morning and 2.1 feet in twenty-four hours. The present stage is within half a foot from the danger mark.

Heavy rains have swelled the rivers in this vicinity and every creek in St. Louis county was reported out of its banks tonight.

The Meramec river has risen fifteen feet since Saturday morning. Hundreds of acres of farm land, clubhouses and dwellings are under water.

COURT DISMISSES THREE TRUE BILLS

Alaska Transportation and Coal Companies Half Way Out of Trouble.

JUNEAU, Alaska, April 29.—United States District Judge Thomas R. Lyons today dismissed three of the six indictments returned February 15, charging several transportation and coal companies and their operatives with conspiracy in restraint of trade in violation of the Sherman antitrust law. One indictment was upheld and the other two were sustained in part.

The indictments dismissed were Nos. 734, 735 and 840. The first charged the defendant companies, the Canadian Pacific Railway company, the North Pacific Wharves & Trading company, the Pacific & Arctic Railway & Navigation company, which controls the White Pass and Yukon river pass, the Pacific Coast Steamship company, the Pacific Coast Coal company and the Alaska Steamship company, with having conspired and combined to monopolize the coal business at Skagway, Alaska.

Indictment 735 charged a conspiracy to monopolize the transportation between Skagway, Alaska, and White Horse, Y. T.

Judge Lyons held that the prosecution under this indictment was barred by the statute of limitation.

Indictment 840 charged the companies with having exacted unreasonable tolls at the Moors wharf at Skagway.

Indictments Nos. 738 and 841 were sustained in part and indictment 865 entirely.

TEXAS FEUD RESULTS IN ANOTHER MURDER

SWEETWATER, Tex., April 29.—Bill Echols "got" his old enemy, Clayton Black, early today. Black was shot down on the street at Coahoma, where two years ago members of the two warring families shot at each other for hours.

Out of this shooting there grew litigation. Three times Black was placed on trial accused of trying to murder the leader of the opposing clan, "Bill" Echols. Each time he was acquitted.

Then Black and Echols met on the street at Coahoma. It is declared Black carelessly had left his weapons at home. He was killed instantly. Echols was arrested.

RUSSIA WONT HELP CANAL EXPOSITION

LONDON, April 29.—It is reported in Russian circles here that the Russian government is not giving a sympathetic reception to the invitation to participate in the Panama Pacific exposition and that American action with regard to the Jewish passport question has something to do with this attitude. It is said that an intimation awaits the exposition commission at London that their projected visit to St. Petersburg might as well be canceled.

BRUCE IS MAY TO MAKE FULL EXPLANATION

Senate Committee Loaded With Pertinent Questions for Managing Director of White Star Line.

WIDENER SERIES WILL BE INCLUDED

Marconi and Sammis Admit Making Mistake in Allowing Wireless Operators to Hold Back News.

By International News Service. WASHINGTON, April 29.—J. Bruce Ismay, managing director of the White Star line, will be given an opportunity tomorrow to tell the senate investigating committee what he knows of the Titanic disaster which sent 1651 women, men and children to their deaths.

The senate is in possession of many thousands of pages of testimony which relates directly to Mr. Ismay's behavior before and after the hours of terror on the Titanic. Mr. Ismay has never yet given a satisfactory accounting of his part in the direction of the course of the vessel, of his departure from her decks and in her cabins, of his exclusive occupancy of a three berth stateroom on the Carpathia when survivors of the catastrophe were sleeping in passageways, or of his desire to hold the Cedric that he might hurry back to England.

Witnesses friendly and hostile have testified with regard to Mr. Ismay. Many others have been interviewed by Chairman William Alden Smith of the committee. Through each day's session Mr. Ismay has sat apparently unmoved by the recitals given in his presence.

Must Answer Fully.

Tomorrow will be his day in court. His desire to get back home and face his countrymen has been respected by the committee. His examination will probably occupy the entire day, perhaps a part of another. It may be stated in behalf of Senator Smith that no question that seems pertinent will be left unasked.

The Widener series of inquiries prepared by P. A. D. Widener, father of one of the distinguished victims, and a director of the White Star line, will be included.

Mr. Ismay has expressed a willingness to answer everything without evasion. He knows that the future of his great business in this country depends largely on the accounting he can make.

But there are many things that are sure to embarrass him during the day and the ordeal he will face, while it cannot lead to any criminal prosecution, will be unquestionably the most severe he has ever encountered.

Marconi's Excuses.

Today William Marconi and J. M. Sammis, chief engineer of the American Marconi company, attempted to explain why the wireless operators on the Carpathia were silenced in order that they might give an exclusive story of the Titanic's fate to a New York newspaper.

Marconi maintained stoutly that he had nothing to do with the shameful business, further than to permit them to tell their stories after they arrived.

Sammis admitted having sent them dispatches from Seagay, while the Carpathia was still inbound, telling them that arrangements had been made for the sale of their stories in "four figures." It was his hush message which, in the opinion of the committee, made it impossible to get news from the Carpathia before her survivors came ashore.

Sammis attempted to establish that the sale of the stories was not intended to be exclusive by announcing that the International News Service had a tug equipped with the wireless. But the International News Service, in addition to paying for its own tug, paid the Marconi company \$500 for fitting her out and made no attempt to "saw up" Cottam and Brice, the wireless men on the Carpathia.

Discovers Mistake.

Indeed, when Sammis discovered that he had made a mistake in silencing the men on the Carpathia he begged the International News Service "in the name of humanity" to put aboard the Carpathia its wireless man, Jack Binns, who was aboard the tug Seagay. The transfer was consented to by the International News Service. Binns would have Brice and Cottam and tell the relatives and friends of the victims and survivors the news, had not wireless connection with the Carpathia been broken as the tug was heading for her.

Sammis was a reluctant witness from the beginning. When he came to the stand Marconi had disclosed the facts about the International News Service tug and he admitted them. He also admitted that he had made a mistake in sending to Segate for transmission to the Carpathia the information to the operators that if they kept still they could sell their stories for four figures.

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NOTED MEN TO BE GUESTS OF D. C. JACKLING

John D. Ryan and Party Are to Be Entertained at the Hotel Utah Wednesday Evening.

BANQUET IS TO BE ELABORATE AFFAIR

Visitors Number Twenty, and Thirty Salt Lakers Will Be Present at the Gathering.

WHAT is intended to be the most elaborate banquet and formal reception of its kind ever given in Salt Lake will take place Wednesday evening in the grill room of the Hotel Utah, where John D. Ryan, president of the Amalgamated Copper company, and his party of prominent New York capitalists, with leading local men, will be guests of Colonel D. C. Jackling.

Yesterday, George O. Relf received a telegram from Colonel Jackling, who will arrive home from New York today, requesting that reservations of the best in the hostelry be made for the eminent visitors and that the banquet be the most elaborate that Salt Lake could furnish. Mr. Ryan's party will number twenty. To these will be added thirty more, including the host and leading men of the city. Plates will be set for fifty.

Mr. Relf is now personally superintending the decoration of the grill room, which will present a gorgeous spectacle. According to Mr. Relf, already about \$1000 has been expended in arranging for and decorating the place with floral displays. It also is the intention to cover the walls of the grill room with some of the most costly and noted paintings procurable in this city. Selection will be made from a notable array. It is not known just what pictures will be hung, but H. L. A. Culmer's noted painting of the copper mines, just completed, and equally attractive and valuable pieces, will be included if possible. This feature itself will cost considerable through rentals, drayage and proper care.

No Expense to Be Spared.

Prof. J. J. McCallan's orchestra will furnish an excellent program of music and Mr. Relf last evening said that a number of the best vaudeville acts that could be secured would be featured. Talented singers also will take part. The number of acts and those to be secured will be decided upon today. The vaudeville and music features will represent considerable expenditure.

The menu will be engraved and elaborately gotten up. Mr. Relf has telegraphed to Chicago and to the coast for the best edibles the market offers. The chef in the hotel kitchen is busy ahead of time and has been notified that his head depends upon the success of his efforts. Champagne is to flow abundantly. The banquet will offer all the accessories, delicacies, service and joy that blue blood can desire.

Although it could not be said just what expenditure the affair would require, Mr. Relf last evening let it be known that aside from the elaborate preparations, decorations and features announced, each plate would cost at least \$50.

Considering the elaborateness of the affair as planned with the foregoing features, it is estimated that the expenditure will be in the neighborhood of \$2000. It is also probable that automobiles will be used for the entire party, although whether this means an auto trip to the Bingham plant cannot be announced at present.

The distinguished capitalists will arrive here Wednesday forenoon and will go at once to the best quarters in the hotel. Colonel Jackling will arrive this evening and will complete final arrangements for the entertainment of the visitors. Details will not be known until that has been accomplished. The party will leave here Thursday.

List of Visitors.

Aside from Mr. Ryan, those with him include A. J. Easting, president of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway company; C. H. Sablin, vice president of the Guaranty Trust company; W. E. Corey; A. Monell, president of the International Nickel corporation; D. E. Pomeroy, vice president of the Bankers Trust company; James A. Stillman, vice president of the National City bank; P. A. Rockefeller; J. S. Harriman, president of the Harriman National bank; P. L. Foster, American representative of the London Exploration company; S. L. Fuller of Kissel, Kinnelcutt & Co.; John H. Wendt of Potter, Choate & Prentice; W. D. Thornton, president of the Greene Consolidated Copper company; J. H. Perkins, vice president of the Commercial National bank of Albany, N. Y.; and John H. Warden of Philadelphia, Pa.

It is not known who will constitute the rest of the party, but leading capitalists and business men of the community will be included.

Mr. Ryan and those with him have been visiting in Montana and other localities for the purpose of learning of the

Singer From America Who Pleases King



KING GEORGE HEARS AMERICANS IN OPERA

Oscar Hammerstein and Members of Company Presented to the Monarch.

By International News Service. LONDON, April 29.—At a gala performance for the benefit of the League of Mercy at the London opera house this afternoon, Oscar Hammerstein, whose company gave the performance, was presented to the king. In receiving Mr. Hammerstein, King George said: "I am delighted with your efforts and am pleased to be in your house."

To this the impresario replied: "I feel greatly honored to have the privilege of shaking hands with the king of England."

Mr. Hammerstein was later presented to the Princess Alexandra of Dross and many members of the aristocratic assembly which crowded the house. All the legations and embassies were represented. The American ambassador and Mrs. Whitelaw Reid occupied the boxes. The king was greatly pleased with the garden scene from "Faust." In which four Americans, Miss Felicia Lyne, Orville Harrold, Miss Locke and Henry Weldon Hughes, assumed the principal roles.

At the conclusion of the performance, Miss Lyne was summoned to the royal box by the queen, who said to her: "I am delighted with your singing and hope to hear you again. I understand you are half American."

To this Miss Lyne replied: "Thank you very much, your majesty, but I am all American."

Mr. Hammerstein hopes that the presence of royalty today and the bringing of so many society people with them will give an impetus to his season and crown his work here with success, but he was as caustic as ever on the subject of how he is being patronized up to date.

"You cannot say today, 'Why don't they come?'" was one remark put to the impresario.

"Are your nerves still good, Morris," asked the warden.

Morris smiled calmly and frankly replied, "My nerve is as good now as it ever was, but as to whether I will be able to climb the scaffold and die as bravely as I would like to, I cannot say. I will do my best. I hope to die like a man and I believe I will."

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Morris has invited Levi C. Astell, father of the man he killed, to attend the hanging. The letter, worded respectfully was received at the Astell home, 841 East Fifteenth South street, yesterday morning. Mrs. Astell, the aged mother of the victim, faintly upon reading his grim contents. Then she telephoned her husband, who is working at his trade of carpentry in Garfield, and exacted from him a solemn promise that he would not accept the invitation.

The elder Astell offered to build the scaffold on which the slayer of his son meets death this morning. He made the offer in the court room the day Morris chose hanging instead of shooting, but it was made in the same spirit of grim reprieve that actuated the slayer in his grim choice of the rope because the building of the scaffold would put the state to some expense.

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IN FINAL HOUR MORRIS SAYS 'I'LL BE A MAN'

Slayer of J. Walter Astell Expresses to Warden on Eve of Execution Fervent Hope That He Will Be Able to Mount Scaffold Without Losing His Nerve.

REPOSES CALMLY UNTIL MIDNIGHT

Execution Will Take Place at State Prison at Early Hour This Morning; Condemned Man Invites Aged Father of His Victim to Witness Hanging.

AT some indeterminate moment this morning, probably while most of Salt Lake is at the breakfast table, J. J. Morris, slayer of J. Walter Astell, will mount the steps of a scaffold in the gray prison yard at the penitentiary and drop to his death.

Calm as death itself, Morris awaits the end. He has listened with careless ears to the sound of the carpenters building the implement of execution, he has lounged in his cell and received with nonchalant courtesy such visitors as are wont to call upon the condemned at the hour of their extremely drawn near; he has talked freely and lightly upon the subject of his passing, and through it all his nerve has remained like wrought steel.

Sleep, Then Smokes.

At 9:30 o'clock last night, with the moment of death little more or less than twelve hours away, he stretched his big frame upon the narrow prison cot and slept like a tired child. At midnight he awoke and began feeling for his tobacco. An alert guard stepped forward and handed him a clear, the best that could be obtained. Morris lighted the cigar and the tiny flame of the match flickered not at all as he held it to the tip and blew the fragrant smoke through the bars of the cell. Then he settled himself upon his cot, his hands clasped over his knees, and waited—waited for dawn and for death.

Welcomes the Warden.

Warden Arthur Pratt visited the condemned man in his cell at 9 o'clock last night. Morris welcomed him with a trace of eagerness for it was the last visit any man will ever pay to him, other than that grim coming of the guards and the executioner in the last fearful moments. It was a friendly visit. The stern, though kindly visaged warden had in mind to cheer the condemned man and aid him to maintain his nerve.

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